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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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NEW HEALTH POLICY
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to formulate a new health policy ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) the time by when the new policy is likely to be formulated ; and

(d) the points on which the new policy will be different from the present one?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (d) No, sir. The main objective of the current National Health Policy 2002 is to achieve an acceptable standard of good health amongst the general population and also ensure more equitable access to health services across the social and geographical expanse of the country. The Policy covers wide ranging issue relating to Health Sector such as financial resources, equity, delivery of national public health programmes, health infrastructure, role of private sector, local self-government institutions and NGOs, health research, disease surveillance etc.